

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

Plaintiff

vs

CASE NO. _____

Respondent/ Defendant (Name of alleged person with a disability)

**SUMMONS FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIANS OF PERSON WITH AN ALLEGED
DISABILITY**

To each respondent/defendant: _____

(Name and address of the alleged person with a disability)

You are hereby summoned and required to appear before this court at the River Valley Justice Center, 3208 W. McDonough Street, Joliet, Illinois at _____ o'clock, a.m. in Courtroom _____ on _____, 20____, to answer the complaint in this case, a copy of which is hereto attached.

IF YOU FAIL TO DO SO, AN ORDER MAY BE ENTERED GRANTING THE PETITION.

E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp>, or talk with your local circuit clerk's office.

Please contact the Will County Circuit Clerk's Office, 100 W. Jefferson Street, 1st Floor, Joliet, IL 60432 by telephone (815)727-8592 or visit our website www.circuitclerkofwillcounty.com for more information.

To the Officer:

This summons must be returned by the officer or other person to whom it was given for service, with indorsement of service and fees, if any, immediately after service. If service cannot be made, this summons shall be returned so indorsed.

This summons may not be served later than three (3) days before the date of appearance. This summons may not be served later than thirty (30) days after its date.

WITNESS _____, 20____

(Seal of Court)

ANDREA LYNN CHASTEEN

(Clerk of the Circuit Court)

Attorney or Party, if not represented by an attorney
Name _____
ARDC # _____
Firm Name _____
Attorney for _____
Address _____
City & Zip _____
Telephone _____

_____, 20____
(To be inserted by officer on the copy
left with the defendant or other person)

ANDREA LYNN CHASTEEN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF WILL COUNTY

NOTICE OF RIGHTS OF RESPONDENT

You have been named as a respondent in a temporary guardianship petition asking that you be declared a person with a disability. If the court grants the petition, a guardian will be appointed for you. A copy of the guardianship petition is attached for your convenience.

The date and time of the hearing is _____, 20____ at _____ a.m.

The place where the hearing will occur is River Valley Justice Center, 3208 W. McDonough Street, Joliet, Illinois 60431.

The Judge's name is the Honorable Derek Ewanic and the phone number to the Will County Circuit Clerk's Office at River Valley Justice Center is (815) 730-7156.

If a guardian is appointed for you, the guardian may be given the right to make all important personal decisions for you, such as where you may live, what medical treatment you may receive, what places you may visit, and who may visit you. A guardian may also be given the right to control and manage your money and other property, including your home, if you own one. You may lose the right to make these decisions for yourself.

You have the following legal rights:

1. You have the right to be present at the court hearing.
2. You have the right to be represented by a lawyer, either one that you retain or one appointed by the Judge.
3. You have the right to ask for a jury of six persons to hear your case.
4. You have the right to present evidence to the court and to confront and cross-examine witnesses.
5. You have the right to ask the Judge to appoint an independent expert to examine you and give an opinion about your need for a guardian.
6. You have the right to ask that the court hearing be closed to the public.
7. You have the right to tell the court whom you prefer to have for your guardian.

You do not have to attend the hearing if you do not want to be there. If you do not attend, the Judge may appoint a guardian if the Judge finds that a guardian would be a benefit to you. The hearing will not be postponed or cancelled if you do not attend. If you are unable to attend the hearing in person or you will suffer harm if you attend the Judge can decide to hold the hearing at a place that is convenient. The Judge can also follow the rule of the Supreme Court of this State, or its local equivalent, and decide if a video conference is appropriate.

IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT YOU ATTEND THE HEARING IF YOU DO NOT WANT A GUARDIAN OR IF YOU WANT SOMEONE OTHER THAN THE PERSON NAMED IN THE GUARDIANSHIP PETITION TO BE YOUR GUARDIAN. IF YOU DO NOT WANT A GUARDIAN OR IF YOU HAVE ANY OTHER PROBLEMS, YOU SHOULD CONTACT AN ATTORNEY OR COME TO COURT AND TELL THE JUDGE.

ANDREA LYNN CHASTEEN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF WILL COUNTY